

REMARKS OF THE HONORABLE JOHN E. FOGARTY AT GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES
OF THE NEW HEALTH SCIENCE BUILDING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
ON OCTOBER 10, 1962.

This is a proud and happy moment for me. In electing to place my name on the new Health Science Building, you have rendered me a great honor.

I am deeply moved. When I look back upon my 22 years of service as your representative in Congress, I must admit to a feeling of immense pride and satisfaction in the part I have been privileged to play in the improvement and expansion of health facilities and resources for Rhode Island, and the nation. The remarkable achievements in medical science during this period have made my job a rewarding one. I feel, however, that I must share this great honor with a great many people because whatever contributions I have been able to make to this cause were due to the wholehearted encouragement and unflagging support given me by the people of Rhode Island.

I am glad to have this opportunity to express my gratitude and appreciation.

Today, we mark the opening of a fresh chapter in the history of Rhode Island Public Health. The story had its beginning a few years ago when the University of Rhode Island launched a far-sighted program of instruction and research, aimed at strengthening our knowledge of pharmaceutical science. Since then, the College of Pharmacy has enlisted an experienced faculty of distinguished scientists and built an impressive academic program, with an emphasis on post graduate research.

Inevitably, this broadening of scientific understanding through research has added a new dimension to the intellectual atmosphere of the university and it is bound to stimulate renewed interest in the Public Health Programs of our state.

Pharmacy, as a key member of the health resources team, has certain defined objectives. Among these are the establishment of higher standards and controls for medicines, pharmaceuticals, and the other special services which pharmacy has traditionally provided.

The new Health Science Building has been designed to enable students and staff of the College of Pharmacy to conduct an even

greater number of studies than before. I understand that special attention has been given to equipping the new laboratories and classrooms with the latest tools for research in all the disciplines related to pharmaceutical science.

I am confident that by means of this splended health facility our university, through the College of Pharmacy, will add lustrous new pages to Rhode Island's record of solid scientific accomplishments. And what pleases me most of all is the assurance of increased dividends for the health of all our people.

Thank you.